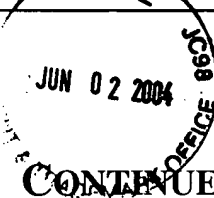


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<div><p><b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b></p><p><b>MAIL STOP RCE</b> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p><p>Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995</p></div>	Application Number	09/894,121
	Confirmation Number	6181
	Filing Date	June 29, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Tsuyoshi KITAHARA
	Group Art Unit	3729
	Examiner Name	Tugbang, Anthony D.
	Matter Number	Q64938
	Title	PIEZOELECTRIC VIBRATOR UNIT, MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF, AND INK JET RECORDING HEAD INCORPORATING THE SAME

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on March 3, 2004
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a  
period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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Signature Allison M. Tulino Date June 2, 2004